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In re Application of:)
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: Group Art Unit: 2623
Application No.: 09/963,635)
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: For: IMAGE PROCESSING APPARATUS) November 26, 2004

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT
AND PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated October 25, 2004, Applicants elect, without traverse, initially to prosecute Group I, to a 3D image modeling using a support calibration, including original Claims 1-36, 39-71, and 74-78¹, and newly added Claims

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¹/Applicants believe that original Claim 79 was incorrectly classified into Group I. Claim 79 is a "means for" apparatus claim corresponding to apparatus Claim 72, and therefore should be included in Group II.

80-82, which relate to the same invention. New Claims 80 and 81 depend from one of the elected claims, and Claim 82 is an apparatus claim in “means plus function” format corresponding to elected Claim 57.

Also, please amend the above-identified application as follows. The amendments to the claims are reflected in the listing beginning at page 3, and the Remarks beginning at page 30.